

Short Scientific C.V.

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Research Interests

How humans are adapted to the fact that they can receive care and treatment when sick.
Evolutionary Social Psychology, Placebo Research, Psychoneuroimmunology

Education and professional experience

- PhD in Psychology from Free University of Berlin (“Evolutionary Psychology of Sickness and Healing”, reviewed by Katja Liebal, Free University of Berlin, and Nicholas Humphrey, University of Cambridge)
- Further research experience at Ludwig-Boltzmann Institute for Urban Ethology, University of Vienna, Institute for Medical Psychology, University of Munich, and Institute for Social Psychology, University of Mannheim
- Teaching experience in Sociology, Statistics, and Social Psychology at the Universities of Mannheim and Sarajevo
- Experience in science journalism (Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung) and popular science writing
- B.A. Sociology from University of Mannheim

Selected Publications

- Steinkopf, L. (2018). *Die andere Hälfte der Heilung* [The other Half of Healing]. Munich, Germany: Mosaik (Random House).
- Steinkopf, L., & Barra, M. de. (2018). Therapeutic encounters and the elicitation of community care. *Behavioral and Brain Sciences*, *41*, 35–36.
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- Steinkopf, L. (2012). Enhancing drug compliance and the placebo effect by raising subjective expectations. *Medical Hypotheses*, *79*(5), 698–700.
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Reviewer

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